



Weekly Newsletter of
South Charlotte Middle School

March 3, 2023

Happy Friday, SCMS Parents:
Spring is in the air.

I hope you will assist us or be patient with us as we enter this spring season much earlier than expected.

The dress code for students is detailed in the student agenda and has been reviewed with your student. The dress code policy is easy to follow. Our goal is to keep students comfortable and safe at school.

Instructional time is valuable, every minute. If your student is a car rider, drop them off in time for them to be in class no later than 8:30.

We are working each day with CMS relative to turning on the air conditioning in our building. We prefer it to be cold in our building as opposed to hot. I or Mr. Plaisance will continue to update you, teachers and students on progress in making this happen.

We would like to congratulate Ms. Elizabeth Clarke. She will present at The CMS Foundation's Teacher Talks this Thursday on the CPCC campus. This is quite an accomplishment for her and for SCMS. In addition, she is presenting at the NC Gifted Educator's Conference this week. Thank you, Ms. Clarke for all you do for students each day.

Thank you so much to our fabulous Hospitality Committee of our PTO. This week has been teacher appreciation week. Each day has been special including a food truck, plants, breakfast, lunch and much more. We are humbled by your contributions for our teacher appreciation week.

I hope each of you have a great weekend. Thank you for allowing us to serve your students each day.

Lisa Bailes, Principal
South Charlotte Middle School
980-343-3670

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay informed and follow us on:

Facebook & Instagram



- 03/07** Providence High School Parent Night @ 6pm
- 03/08** Early Release Day; Release at 12:30
- 3/14** Rising 7th and 8th Grade Parent Night
- 3/15** Home Baseball and Soccer Game VS Carmel 5pm



South Charlotte Middle School respects each student's right to express themselves in the way they groom and dress. In return students are expected to respect the school community by dressing appropriately.

Student's attire should enable them to actively participate in learning, ensure their own safety, as well as the safety of other students and staff. The responsibility for the dress and grooming of a student rests primarily with the student and his or her parents or guardians.

With the warmer weather approaching, please take time to review the SCMS dress code policy with your student/s.

SCMS DRESS CODE





Parents: It's almost the end of the year. EOG/EOC testing is coming up in May. Please consider volunteering to help proctor. I am hoping by sending this out early you will be willing to take a day or two or three to help at South Charlotte Middle School. Each day will require up to 4 hours of your time. I will do my best to honor your time and release you as soon as possible. With your help, this testing time will run smoothly. Note: You are not allowed to proctor in the same grade level as your child(ren). Please forward on to any family (grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends) who may be willing to help out.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080945A4AC2BA31-eogeoc>

The school's cell phone policy is that cell phones are considered personal property and are permitted. They must be powered off and out of sight during the day. We have land lines in the front office if a student needs to contact you during the day. Our front office staff is often having students show up to go home sick or to pick up a dropped off item. The front office is unaware because the student is communicating through their own device which is a violation of our policy. If you receive a text or call from your child's personal device, please refer them to the office.

Thank you for your continued support.



Congratulations to SCMS Honors Orchestra on a Music Performance Adjudication Superior rating at the Gardner Webb University Orchestra Festival on February 27, 2023. SCMS honors orchestra had their first time experiencing a sectional with professors. It was a fantastic newborn moment everywhere in learning and growth of collaborative performance with Albemarle Road Middle School Honors Orchestra.

Great appreciation for Cleveland County Schools and Music teachers, especially Gardner Webb University Music Department and Faculty.





Providence High School

Attention Rising Providence High School 9th graders and Parents

The Course Request process for rising Providence High School 9th graders will begin in March. We will host a parent meeting (parents only) at South Charlotte Middle School at **6:00pm on Tuesday, March 7**. Parents should bring copies of the Course Request handouts provided to your 8th grader at South Charlotte to reference in the meeting.

Then, Providence High School will host "Panthers on the Prowl" for rising 9th graders and their parents on **Thursday, March 30th at 6:30pm** in the PHS auditorium. "Panthers on the Prowl" is an orientation to Providence which will provide information about the differences between middle school and high school, specific curriculum highlights for 9th graders, a look at electives that students may want to consider, as well as an opportunity to explore clubs, sports, and fine arts extra-curricular options. The program will begin promptly at 6:30pm with a meeting in the auditorium. Please arrive a few minutes early so you can park and be in the auditorium by 6:30pm. The event will conclude at 8:30pm. This is the first opportunity to begin the exciting transition to Providence High School. You don't want to miss it!

At "Panthers on the Prowl" we will discuss the last chance opportunity for your rising 9th grader to make any changes to their course request card for next year. Forms for "**Last Chance Day**" will be available on our website and are due to the main office at Providence by **3:00pm on Tuesday, April 4th**.

Tracey Harrill, Ed.D.

Principal

Providence High School

1800 Pineville-Matthews Road

Upcoming PTO items:

Staff Appreciation Week was a success! Pictures to follow in upcoming issue of Shockwave.

Contributed supplies to custodial staff.

Purchased supplies for counselors/students.

Coordinated cleaning of front office furniture.

Assisted in coordinating volunteers for 8th grade field trip.

Coordinated communication and refreshments for upcoming elementary school visits for rising 6th graders.

6th grade continued 6th grade service project.

6th grade is collecting any color or size tabs from drink cans, soup, or pet food cans. You can send them to school and there are collection bins in each 6th grade classroom. Please email tiffanymacomson@gmail.com with any questions.

8th grade committee continued plans for end of year events for 8th graders.

STAFF FAVORITES are now on the SCMS PTO website. This is a great resource when you want to thank or show your appreciation to any teacher or staff member at SCMS.

[SCMS Staff Favorites.](#)

Scroll until you see SCMS Staff Favorites.



South Meck Presents...



THE SABRE EXPO

Thursday, March 2, 2023 from 5:00 - 6:30 PM

ACADEMICS

- 🗝 Meet our *Sabretastic* Staff
- 🗝 Learn about our Course Offerings
 - 🗝 Core & Elective Content Areas
 - 🗝 Advanced Placement (AP) Courses
 - 🗝 World Language Magnet

**Translation
Available!!**

EXTRACURRICULAR

- 🗝 Learn about the Student Athlete Experience
- 🗝 Learn about Our Clubs and Honor Societies
- 🗝 Learn how to be an *INVOLVED* Parent/Guardian

**Student
Led
Tours!!**

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Attention Shockers!

Don't forget to order your 2022-2023 Yearbook!
Books on sale now at bit.ly/SCMSyrbk for \$26 + tax!



Questions? Email Ms. George at lauraj.george@cms.k12.nc.us

You are invited to join South Charlotte Middle School on Tuesday, May 16th to watch the Charlotte Knights take on the Scranton Wilkes-Barre Railriders at 7:04PM.

A portion of each ticket sold will support the Athletic Department, and the choir will be performing the National Anthem. We appreciate your support and are excited for you to join us!

<https://fevogm.com/Southcharlotte>



Parent Night @South Charlotte Middle School 8th graders going to PHS - March 7th, 2023

Providence High School

would like to welcome the...

Class of 2027

Rising 9th Grade Parents



On March 7th from 6-8pm, all rising 9th grade parents whose children plan to attend Providence High School next year should come to SCMS cafeteria to enjoy:

- An informational session with topics including
 - Registration Process
 - Course options
 - What to expect/Information Session

****Students do not need to attend parent night, but we do encourage it.****

* South Charlotte Middle School * 8040 Strawberry Lane * Charlotte, NC * 980-343-3670 *

South Charlotte Middle School

would like to welcome the...

Class of 2030, our Rising 6th Graders!



On March 16th from 9:30-11:30am, all rising 6th graders planning to attend South Charlotte Middle School should come to enjoy:

- A tour of the school
- A look into the 6th grade classes
- An informational session
- Performances from our Fine Arts Department

Students from Elizabeth Lane, McAlpine, Olde Providence, and Endhaven will be transported via CMS buses. Students from all other elementary schools may be transported by their parents or guardians so that they can join as well!

**** Additionally, there will be a parent night at 6pm for parent information****

SOUTH MECK FIELD HOCKEY

INTEREST MEETING

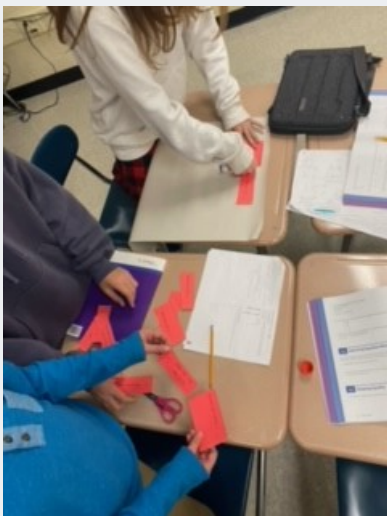
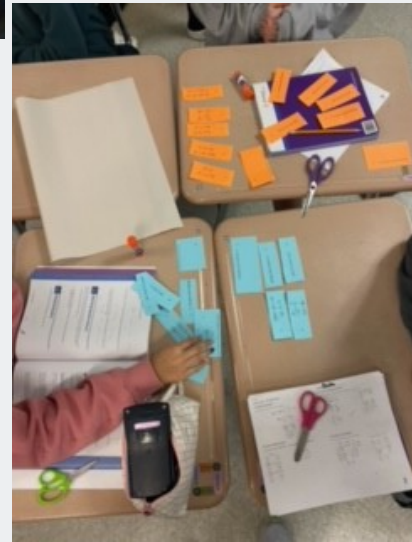
March 16 @ 6:00pm

SMHS Media Center

Learn all about field hockey at South Meck.
Varsity and JV teams. Beginners welcome!
Questions, contact Coach Casey Carrigan:
casey@charlotteambush.com



Classroom Highlights



SOUTH CHARLOTTE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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GOOD TO KNOW

- ◆ South Charlotte is a member of the South Learning Community. (980) 344-7160
- ◆ To report an absence email scms.attendance@cms.k12.nc.us or you may phone the school at 980-343-3670.
- ◆ Online School Payments (OSP) - CMS has provided us with the opportunity to accept payments for school events on-line. It is much like Athletics Pay-to-Play, comes with a fee (4%), and allows you to pay at your convenience. If you choose to pay on-line, it also relieves our teachers from the time taken to do the paperwork and to receipt and turn in money or checks. *Teachers will continue to take cash and checks as they always have.*

Just sign in to: osp.osmsinc.com/CMS

Choose your student's event and homeroom teacher, and make payment.

The teacher and Financial Secretary are sent advisements of your payment.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity. Through the year, events will be added including field trips, textbooks, fees, and other payments.

- ◆ Re-link your Harris Teeter VIC card! Our TIE number is 1933.

http://www.harristeeter.com/community/together_in_education/link_to_your_school.a_spx

- ◆ Need a tutor? Check out our website for a great list.

The SOUTH CHARLOTTE Way
Doing the RIGHT thing,
All Day *Every Day...*

In compliance with federal law, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools administers all education programs, employment activities and admissions without discrimination against any